

REMARKS

After entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-12 are pending in the application.

Reconsideration is requested.

The Action states that Nakano teaches "issuing a periodic allowance to a juvenile, said allowance comprising an allotment of digital money tokens."

Nakano is not understood to teach this.

For example, Nakano is not understood to concern issuing any tokens. Rather, his system appears to be a credit-based arrangement, in which nothing is issued to a juvenile. Instead, the juvenile has an imaginary on-line account that he can debit, and for which his parent pays.

New claims 5 and 7 emphasize this "token" feature, and further distinguish over such credit-based arrangements, *i.e.*, by requiring that each token correspond to a string of data stored in a device in the custody of the juvenile.

The other new claims are submitted to more fully protect applicants' inventive work. (Support therefor is found, e.g., at page 3, lines 20-28, of the specification.)

Favorable consideration and passage to issuance are solicited.

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